

# Recreational Facilities For Local Men in Japan

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YAMOTO, JAPAN—Recreational facilities pose no problem for Torrance men serving with the 40th Infantry Division in Japan. Bowling alleys, tennis courts, a newly-redecorated service club, snack bars and gift shops, a hobby shop for "putterers", stage shows... these are only a few of the off-duty diversions available to men of the 578th Engineer Combat Battalion at Camp Matsushima.

"I only wish Camp Cooke had been this nice and this attractive," said Sfc. Lee Bailey, 1535 West 214th St., former employee of the General Petroleum refinery. "As long as we have to serve away from home, I'm glad we can have the comfort we have here."

Located near the beach, the camp is distinguished by comfortable and attractive barracks, wide expanses of green lawns, well-kept shrubbery, and a compactness that provides easy access to all clubs, movies or off-duty facilities.

Taking much of the individual soldier's spare time during these first two months in Japan, of course, has been sightseeing and shopping for gifts for Mom and Dad or "the missus." Everyone wants to send a little of the Orient home to give their families a sort of "tourist by proxy" view

of what their soldier is seeing and experiencing.

"And there are plenty of interesting things to see around here," said an expert on the subject, M/Sgt. Don C. Townsend. Townsend was stationed in near-by Sendai shortly after World War II, serving as a military policeman. He lives at 2220 Gramercy Ave., Torrance.

"Ancient pagodas and temples, the Thousand Island near Matsushima which is a well-known Japanese summer resort, and even the old-fashioned ways of the farmers around here, are all strange and new to most of the men in the battalion."

Other Torrance men had their own ideas on Japan.

Sgt. Charles G. Turner, 1749 Arlington Ave., former employee of the American Radiator and Standard Sanitary Corp.: "It has all been very interesting to me but there is hardly any need in



ROUND AND ROUND WE GO... and where the wheel at Lawson's Jewellers stops is the watch give-away event last Saturday morning at Lawson's, on El Prado street, are, left to right: Joe Clevenger, senior; Charles Coulson, senior; and A. Robinson, of Lawson's Jewellers. Jean Van Meter was the senior girl presented with a watch. Duane Mittan, extreme left, was the very lucky

saying... give me Torrance anytime!"

Sgt. Thomas Walters, 20809 Hawthorne Blvd., whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cleo E. Walters, are in the grocery business in West Torrance: "Los Angeles County would starve to death in a week if they had to depend on Japanese-style transportation. Walking seems to be the chief means of getting from place to place, with bicycle, rickshaws and two-wheeled cars running a close second. One interesting contraption is a very heavy three-wheeled cargo motorcycle with a truck body. They are used for everything under the sun."

M/Sgt. Glenn A. Price, 2111 Andree Place, former Torrance fireman: "This is one of the nicest Army camps I've seen. Too bad it isn't located in Torrance Ball Park."

M/Sgt. James Wilkes, 1742-A Cabrillo Ave.: The Japanese people have certainly been friendly and cooperative. It's hard to get used to some of their peculiar customs but they probably think we're rather weird at times too."

Sfc. D. J. Skidmore, 1308 Crenshaw Blvd., former Walteria fireman: "These roads would certainly look sick alongside

## Bid Awarded for Concession at Alondra Park

Los Angeles Concessions, Inc., was successful bidder on the concession planned for Alondra Park, at Tuesday's meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

Supervisors Raymond V. Darby pointed out that the successful bid—there were two received in all—offered a payment of 16 percent of the first \$25,000 of the gross receipts for the first year's rent, with spiraling percentages until an annual ceiling of 18 percent for all gross receipts over \$50,000 is reached.

Seventy per cent of all veterans Administration disability compensation and pension rolls on April 1 served during World War II. The World War II veterans numbered 1,870,815; the total of all wars and the peacetime establishment was 2,368,225.

Highway 101. I rode 30 miles to Sendai in a jeep last week and now I'm looking for a new sacroiliac."

## Local Couple on Flight Reported Safe in Bolivia

Reported safe Monday after a forced landing in Bolivia are Hampden Wentworth, 35, and his wife, Christina, 28, of 816 Via Comonte, Palos Verdes Estates, who were missing for almost three days while on an aerial tour of Central and South America.

Information received here by associates of the couple indicated today that they landed at a farm in the jungle area after their single-engine, two-wing Beechcraft developed mechanical trouble. They are said to be flying to Brazil after remedying the difficulty.

They had been sought since Saturday by planes of the Bolivian air force after they failed to land on schedule at Santa Cruz on a hop from La Paz. United States military aircraft had been alerted to join the search today.

The couple left Torrance Municipal Airport on May 4 for a six-week long flight to Central and South America.

## Mittan Wins Lawson Watch, Two Others

Duane Mittan, 719 Cota street, and Jean Van Meter, 2036 242nd street, Lomita, were the two lucky Torrance High School seniors who won a Bulova watch presented by Lawson's Jewellers, on El Prado street, last Saturday at their watch give-away event. Mittan proved to be a very lucky senior as this was the third wrist watch recently given him.

Pointer on a wheel containing the names of all seniors was spun by one of the seniors present, and where it stopped was the names of the winners.

Mittan was also the winner of one of the two watches presented to the senior class by Gary's Jewellers on Sartori street. He received another watch as a graduation present.

A. Robinson, of Lawson's Jewellers, announced that their presentation of two watches to Torrance High School seniors, one boy and one girl, will be an annual event.

Are you trying to find a rental? Landlords consistently read the Wanted to Rent columns in the Torrance Press. Tell them what you want with a Want Ad.

## Weekly Issue Of Press to Go Overseas

An issue of each week's Torrance Press will reach the Korean fighting front, as Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Ramsy, 2282 231st street, Torrance, has purchased a subscription of the paper to send to her son, R. A. Ramsy, ADE 1st Class, U.S.N., now serving overseas.

Ramsy, who served six years in the armed services during the last world war, re-inlisted November, 1950. His wife and one-year-old son, now reside in Torrance.

Ramsy also has a half brother, residing here. He is H. E. Garner, formerly of the Torrance Police Department, according to the serviceman's mother.

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